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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
AND
Receipts and Expenditures
OF THE
Town of Alfred
M A I N E

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF
Selectmen, School Committee, Town Clerk,
Treasurer, Directors and Librarian
of Parsons Memorial Library

For the Year Ending February 21st
1919



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THE AVERILL PRESS
1919

Town Officers, 1918

Town Clerk

NORRIS BRACKETT, to August 1st, when he entered
Army. Then FRED J. SHERBURNE for remain-
der of the year.

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

LUCIUS M. PERKINS JAMES H. LITTLEFIELD
A. E. CARPENTER

Superintending School Committee

H. J. SAYWARD E. K. JORDAN T. G. HALL
FLORENT WHITMORE, **Superintendent**

Town Treasurer

J. W. PLUMMER

Auditor

HARRY G. LITTLEFIELD

Road Commissioners

FRANK DAY A. E. CARPENTER

Constable and Collector of Taxes

JOHN H. STEVENS

Truant Officer

A. H. WOODBURY

Board of Health

S. B. MARSHALL, M. D. LUCIUS M. PERKINS
WALTER EMERY

Directors of Parsons Memorial Library

SAMUEL M. CAME EDWIN P. FERGUSON
E. H. BRACKETT H. B. FERNALD
HENRY G. GREEN LUCIUS M. PERKINS

Report of Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

For Municipal Year 1918

Money raised by Town to defray Town Expenses,
State and County Tax, etc.:

For Support of Poor	\$150.00
For Support of Schools	2,350.00
For Text Books and Supplies	450.00
For Repairs on Schoolhouses	150.00
For Highways & Bridges	1,500.00
For Opening Roads in Winter	700.00
For Incidental Expenses	500.00
For Discounts and Abatements	100.00
For Free High School, \$1,100 by tax	600.00
For Brown Tail Moth Nests	1.00
For Superintendent of Schools	150.00
For Electric Street Lights	600.00
For 7th Payment Alfred Water Co.	1,000.00
For Fuel and Janitor for High School	400.00
For Sidewalks	10.00
For Maintenance of Fountain, Park Lawn	50.00
For Alfred Fire Department	100.00
For Fire Warden	25.00
For State Highway	533.00
For Maintenance of State Highway	100.00
For Interest on Loans	200.00
For Town Indebtedness	1,000.00
For Parsons Memorial Library	400.00
For Flag for High School	20.00
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	\$10,789.00

ANNUAL REPORT

Amount raised, as appropriated	\$10,789.00
State Tax	3,050.63
County Tax	531.64
Overlay authorized by Law	561.68
Total amount raised by taxation	\$14,932.95
Valuation Real Estate	\$418,347.00
Valuation Personal Estate	129,805.00
Total Valuation	\$548,152.00
Tax Rate. .026 mills.	
Tax on Real Estate	\$10,877.02
Tax on Personal Estate	3,374.93
227 Polls at \$3.00 (2 polls supplementary)	687.00
Total	\$14,938.95

INCIDENTAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Amount raised by Town	\$500.00
Addition of "Overlay"	561.68
	\$1,061.68

Order No.	Expended	
13	Stationery & Blank Books	20.30
14	Printing 1917 Reports	54.00
15	Bonds for Treasurer & Collector	40.00
37	Flags and placing for Soldiers' graves	8.00
42	Printing Tax Notices	6.00
46	Hattie Littlefield, clerical help	5.00
51	Printing Lists of Voters	5.75
58	H. F. Adams, Sealer of Weights & Measures	5.00

59	Norris F. Brackett, services as Town Clerk	44.89
64	A. E. Carpenter, acct. of salary, Selectman	20.00
70	Frank C. Lander, making and painting Guide boards	8.00
74	Albra Hall, care Town lot in cemetery	1.00
81	F. C. Lander, painting guide boards	2.50
83	Timothy Allen, Election clerk	2.00
84	Timothy Allen, Primary election clerk	2.00
87	John W. Ricker, Ballot clerk	2.00
96	S. M. Came, Insurance on Town House, \$3,200 in the Continen- tal Policy, No. 205, from Sept. 19, 1918 to Sept. 19, 1921— and \$6,000 on the School- house, Policy No. 204, expiring Sept. 19, 1921	\$246.32
107	Frank P. Morrill, watering trough	3.00
116	Henry Marble, Election clerk	4.00
119	Herbert G. Chadbourne, Ballot clerk	4.00
141	Thos. G. Hall, Taking School Census	10.00
147	J. H. Littlefield, acct. services Selectman	44.00
158	S. B. Marshall, M. D., salary as Sec. Board of Health	5.00
159	S. B. Marshall, M. D., reporting births and deaths	5.75
168	Fred J. Sherburne, salary as Town Clerk, $\frac{1}{2}$ year	7.50
169	Fred J. Sherburne, rec. births, deaths and marriages	7.40

177	Lester H. Garvin, board tramps	3.50
179	John H. Stevens, postage and printing	16.46
181	John H. Stevens, collecting taxes 1918	12.00
182	John H. Stevens, as Constable, 1918	13.00
183	John H. Stevens, as Dog Constable	5.00
185	Lucius M. Perkins, as Selectman	65.00
184	Lucius M. Perkins, postage, tele- phone and wood	7.13
186	James H. Littlefield, Bal. salary as Selectman	11.00
187	A. E. Carpenter, Bal. salary as Selectman	35.00
197	H. G. Littlefield, services at auditor	5.00
195	J. W. Plummer, services as Treas.	40.00
196	J. W. Plummer, postage, tele- phone and stationery	7.26
200	P. H. Abbott, M. D., returning births and deaths	.75
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		\$754.51
Unexpended		307.17
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		\$1,061.68

DISCOUNTS AND ABATEMENTS

Poll Tax

Howard Clark, acct. of being soldier	\$3.00
Wilbur Emmons, acct. of being soldier	3.00
A. Guy Littlefield, acct. of being soldier	3.00
Everett Rankin, acct. of being soldier	3.00
Payson Ricker, acct. of being soldier	3.00

Irving Thompson, acct. of being soldier	3.00
F. W. Trafton, acct. of being soldier	3.00
Roland Whicher, acct. of being soldier	3.00
George A. Ferguson, Dead	3.00
Carol Grover, not of age	3.00
Wm. A. Hersey, left town	3.00
Lewis Hill, paid in Sanford	3.00
D. S. P. Jordan, Dead	3.00
W. H. Knight, not a resident	3.00
A. H. Nutting, too old	3.00
James C. Roberts, too old	3.00
Grover C. Thing, lives elsewhere	3.00
Harry Wallingford, too young	3.00
Jacob Nausberger, left town	3.00
Arthur Breary, paid in Sanford	3.00
John Huber, left town	5.20
Charles Sprague, left town	1.04

Real Estate Tax & Discounts

Alfred Water Company, by agreement	57.20
John H. Stevens, discount allowed for Taxes	
paid before a fixed date	\$147.50
Interest collected on Taxes	
paid after a fixed date	56.31
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	91.19
Discount on payment of Poll Taxes	8.40
E. J. Littlefield, over value on lumber	6.24
Owen Thing, over value of Lots No. 1 & No 2	2.80
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	\$232.07
Appropriated	\$100.00
Overdraft	132.07
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	\$232.07

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Order No.

6	Sarah Emmons, for board of Florence Pollock, Dec. 30 to Feb. 21	\$18.75
7	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock, Feb. 21 to Feb. 28	2.50
8	Lewis Polakewich, supplies for Florence Pollock	5.16
9	John F. Dean, supplies for Florence Pollock	3.60
12	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock, Feb. 21 to Mar. 14	5.00
27	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock, Mar. 14 to April 25	15.85
31	Louis Polakewich, clothing for Florence Pollock	5.44
43	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock	15.66
44	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock, May 30 to June 27	11.50
45	Care of Charles Sprague's family while he was in hospital	30.00
50	Auto hire, acct. of the Charles Charles Sprague family	1.75
53	Town of Shapleigh, acct. of Frank Watson	76.15
55	Supplies to Charles Sprague's family	10.42
57	Supplies to Charles Sprague's family	24.17
61	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock	13.29
62	Carpenter Bros., supplies, and auto looking up the Charles Sprague matter	7.80

TOWN OF ALFRED

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82	Annie Proctor, board and clothes Florence Pollock	13.50
124	Moulton s Hospital, Chas. Sprague operation	40.00
144	Supplies to Charles J. Horne, charged to Town of Sanford	3.86
164	Annie Proctor, board of Florence Pollock	12.00
167	S. B. Marshall, M. D., services in the Charles Sprague case	5.00
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		\$321.40
Amount raised by Town		\$150.00
Amount received from Shapleigh on acct. of Charles Sprague case, he having a settlement there		81.43
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		\$321.43
Overdrawn, \$89.97		

TOWN FARM ACCOUNT

Received for use of Farm, 1918	\$60.00
Received for old horse-rake sold	5.00
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\$65.00	

TOWN LOT IN CEMETERY

Balance unexpended from 1917	\$36.71
Paid A. F. Hill, for care Lot, 1918	1.00
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\$35.71	

For Old Cemetery acct. see Treasurer's Report.

Old Road Bills Coming Over from Former Years

Wilbur Roberts, work 1917	2.00
G. W. Clark, work on Road Machine in 1916	6.00
G. W. Clark, for rods in the Lyman Little- field bridge, 1916	22.40
Fred Leach, work on snow, 1916	6.20
B. C. Jordan Estate, work on Highway, 1917	2.50
W. F. Knight, work on snow, 1916	3.00
Joseph Silva, work on snow, 1916	5.00
Joseph Silva, work on snow, 1917	5.00
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	\$52.10

SUPT. OF SCHOOLS ACCOUNT
Order No.

21	Salary Ralph Mitchell	\$25.00
100	Salary Florent Whitmore	33.33
123	Salary Florent Whitmore	16.66
138	Salary Ralph Mitchell	50.00
154	Salary Florent Whitmore	16.66
165	Salary Florent Whitmore	16.66
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		\$158.31
Appropriated	\$150.00	
Overdraft	8.31	
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ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated		\$600.00
Order No.		
66	To August 31	\$347.48
155	To December 31	199.92
	Unexpended	52.60
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		\$600.00

ALFRED WATER CO.

Appropriated	\$1,000.00
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Order No.

79	To pay note, Sanford Bk.	\$500.00	
136	To pay note Sanford Bk.	500.00	
			\$1,000.00

Fountain and Park Acct.

Appropriated	\$50.00
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Order No.

52	N. J. Prescott, repairs	\$4.25	
54	A. H. Nutting, supplies	1.00	
145	B. F. Bracy	46.64	
			\$51.89

Overdraft,	\$1.89
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HIGHWAYS and BRIDGES**Expended by A. E. Carpenter on Roads****Order No.**

1	Fred Russell	30.00
1-A	Leland Gile	2.90
2	Frank Russell & Son	25.00
2-A	Forest Russell	5.00
14	Frank Russell & Son	25.75
15	Wallace Russell	8.00
16	Fred Leach	20.25
17	Carpenter Brothers	62.00
18	Perley Allen	2.50
19	Percy Smith	11.25
20	Lester Ridley	58.00
21	E. H. Pease	13.50
22	Ernest Allen	10.00
23	Eugene Roberts	18.00
24	W. H. Payson	10.00

25	T. G. Hall	9.90
26	Geo. Morrill	21.00
27	Frank Morrill	24.00
28	Ernest Hall	11.00
29	Fred Russell	54.50
30	Wallace Russell	9.00
31	Leland Stevens	26.25
32	George Skillings	7.50
33	Leland Gile	8.00
34	Carpenter Brothers	70.00
35	T. G. Hall	21.00
36	John Roberts	11.75
37	Will Bean	10.50
40	Franklin Grant	28.50
42	Harold Deshon	3.00
2-B	Percy Smith	11.84
3	Frank Hall	6.38
41	John Stevens	12.00
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		\$648.27

Expended by Frank Day on Roads

Order No.

1	Herbert D. Littlefield	\$3.08
2	Geo. McKenney	20.00
3	Joseph Cluff	66.75
4	Timothy Allen	2.50
5	James Johnston	16.50
6	Robert Clark	3.00
7	Otis Wallingford	10.00
8	George McKenney	2.50
9	Otis Wallingford	5.00
10	Henry Green	3.35
11	Charles Bracy	10.00
12	Frank Day	40.00
13	G. B. Chadbourne	7.50

14	John Bracy	3.75
15	Alphonso Kimball	5.00
16	Edward Deshon	15.00
17	Weld Yeaton	12.50
18	Frank Day	14.00
19	Frank Day	21.00
20	Geo. W. Nutter	8.50
21	Herbert L. Hussey	3.92
23	Geo. McKenney	3.75
24	Herbert G. Chadbourne	16.25
25	Geo. E. Hayes	5.00
26	John Bracy	5.00
27	Jack Hart	7.00
28	Moses H. Ricker	3.50
29	Charles Bracy	13.75
30	Alphonse Kimball	9.00
31	Herbert D. Littlefield	3.50
32	John O. Nutter	7.50
33	Charles Bracy	7.50
34	Will Knight	7.50
35	Alvah Ridley	2.50
36	Arthur Farnham	3.75
37	Herman Johnson	1.54
38	W. H. Clark	3.00
39	Geo. O. Fisk	15.50
40	B. C. Jordan Lbr. Co.	77.55
41	Frank Day	25.00
42	G. W. Clark	12.75
43	Herbert B. Fernald	3.54
44	James H. Littlefield	7.35
	G. D. Downs	6.50

\$522.08

Condensed Statement of Road Acct.

Amount raised by Town	\$1,500.00
Amount raised for maintenance of State	
Highways	100.00
Overdrawn	178.60
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	\$1,778.60
Expended by Frank Day, Commissioner	\$522.08
Expended by A. E. Carpenter, Commissioner	648.27
Purchase of Road Machine	300.20
Freight on same	5.45
Paid State Town's portion of Patrolman	252.60
Paid State Town's portion of 50-50 proposition	50.00
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	\$1,778.60

WORK ON SNOW—WINTER 1917-1918

Frank Day, Commissioner

Order No.		
1	Wm. Kallas	3.75
2	Hector Scott	18.25
3	Alphonso Kimball	4.10
4	L. D. Hamlin	6.00
5	Henry Green	30.00
6	Wm. Berry	2.50
7	John Tebbetts	2.50
8	Elmer Littlefield	2.80
9	Nathan Carl	8.75
10	Harold Deshon	24.00
11	E. F. Deshon	4.75
12	James Johnston	13.00
13	Frank P. Moulton	44.40
14	Frank Ridley	8.56
15	Christopher Hussey	29.68
16	Charles Hussey	24.12

17	Roscoe Hussey	20.16
18	Robert C. McDonald	7.00
19	G. B. Chadbourne	2.50
20	Geo. H. Hobbs	6.25
21	Elmer Pease	10.00
22	Arthur Farnham	33.00
23	Frank Day	53.72
24	Frank Day	15.00
25	H. L. Hussey	12.32
26	Ozro Drowns	3.75
27	Moses H. Ricker	15.17
28	John W. Yates	20.50
29	Herbert D. Littlefield	15.17
30	Will Knights	5.00
31	Robert Clark	3.00
32	Geo. O. Fisk	8.75
33	B. C. Jordan Lumber Co.	53.75
34	W. H. Clark	30.00
35	James H. Littlefield	2.75
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		\$544.95

WORK ON SNOW—WINTER 1917-1918

A. E. Carpenter, Commissioner

Order No.

4	Timothy Allen	\$2.00
4-A	C. F. Emmons	10.00
5	E. H. Pease	8.00
5-A	Carpenter Bros.	9.00
6	W. H. Carpenter Bros.	5.00
7	Alden Gile	4.20
8	E. S. Garland	6.87
9	Ernest Allen	5.00
10	Frank Hall	20.00
11	E. H. Brackett	12.65

12	Frank Russell & Son	96.00
13	Wallace Russell	10.00
13-A	Walter Bean	10.80
14	Fred Leach	20.14
14-A	Will Beane	3.00
15	Arthur Bean	3.00
16	Perley Allen	1.25
17	Franklin Grant	8.63
18	Fred Ricker	17.25
18-A	T. G. Hall	15.05
19	Eugene Roberts	28.97
19-A	Geo. Morrill	17.50
20	Frank Morrill	24.00
21	Leland Gile	26.70
22	John Roberts	25.00
44	W. G. Roberts	11.00
45	Forest Russell	14.50
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		\$415.51

Amount Expended on Snow for Winter of 1917-18

By Frank Day, Commissioner	\$544.95
By A. E. Carpenter, Commissioner	415.51
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	\$960.46
Appropriated	700.00
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Overdraft	\$260.46

FIRE WARDEN

Appropriated	\$25.00
Expended, Salary, Order 161	25.00

ALFRED FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated	\$100.00
Expended, Order 160, to its treasurer	100.00

Treasurer's Report

Balance in treasury	\$16.43
Received from Town of Alfred	100.00
	<hr/> \$116.43
Paid by order of Finance Com.	\$81.70
Balance	34.73
	<hr/> \$116.43

J. W. PLUMMER, Treasurer.

Alfred, Me., Feb. 21, 1919.

ALFRED FIRE DEPARTMENT

Clerk's Report

Property of Alfred Fire Department:

Two 2-story buildings. Second story of the Village Station finished into a hall.

2,000 feet of hose; 3 hose reels; 6 hose nozzles; 1 Alfco Shut-off nozzle; 24 wrenches; 2 lanterns; 12 sprinklers; 24 pails; 6 shovels; 12 each, coats and hats; 12 chemical fire extinguishers; 1 ladder truck, with ladders; 1 wagon for forest fires.

Number of feet of hose laid, 1,000.

Number of feet of ladders raised 16.

12 gallons of chemicals used.

Members

Chief, H. J. Sayward.	Asst. Chief, G. W. Clark.
2nd Asst. Chief, C. H. Cluff.	Treasurer, J. W. Plummer
T. T. Rankin	Walter M. Haynes
Herbert N. Chadbourne	Emery S. Littlefield
Joseph W. Cluff	Harry E. Chadbourne
L. M. Sayward	Frank Day
Maynard A. Hobbs	Payson Ricker
Frank E. Ricker	Ernest C. Allen
Alfred K. Wilson	Wilbur G. Bracy
Geo. W. Bracy	Edward Tebbets
John Tebbets	Henry J. Marble
George Tebbets	Roy J. Weeks
Percy F. Morrill	Leon G. Hayes
William Kallis	Grover C. Downs
William R. Hayes	George H. Williams
Ralph D. Emery	Clarence E. Thyng
Forrest U. Burbank	Ansel C. Whicher

Roland H. Whicher
Howard Clark

Albert W. Yates
Fred J. Sherburne

There was one call for a house fire during the year.

Signed,

ALFRED K. WILSON,
Clerk.

FOR STATE HIGHWAY

Appropriated \$533.00

No Orders drawn on this account as no road was built on account of not being able to get work done.

INTEREST ON LOANS ACCT.

Appropriated \$200.00

Order No.

4	Int. on renewal of note due	
	Feb. 24	12.50
80	Int. on Alfred Water Co. note	7.50
137	Int. on Loans from Bank	166.26
203	Int. on Loans from Bank	76.00
	Overdrawn	62.26
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		\$262.26 \$262.26

TOWN'S INDEBTEDNESS

Appropriated \$1,000.00

Order No.

139	Note at Springvale Bank	\$500.00
201	Note at Sanford Bank	500.00
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		\$1,000.00

PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriated \$100.00

Order No. 162 To Treasurer of Library 100.00

FLAG FOR HIGH SCHOOL

Appropriation (not drawn)	\$20.00
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BROWN TAIL MOTHS

Appropriation (not expended)	\$1.00
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Acct. State Aid to Soldiers' Dependents

Three parties have been rendered the State Aid as required by Chapter 276 of the Public Laws of 1917, to the amt. of	\$174.57
The State has refunded to the Town	174.19

\$0.38

The State has also refunded to the Town the amount of claim for damage to Domestic animals	\$90.00
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Owing to the difficulty of getting help, no work has been done on building new State Road for 1918.

GENERAL SUMMARY OF RESOURCES AND EXPENDITURES

Raised by Taxation	\$14,938.95
Available for School purposes	2,813.04
Amount from Town Farm acct.	65.00
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	\$17,816.99
Expenditures above total amt. raised	100.57
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	\$17,917.56
Expended for all School purposes	\$6,999.35
Incidental acct.	745.51

Discounts and Abatements	232.07	
Poor acct.	321.40	
Cemetery Lot	1.00	
Old Bills on Roads	52.10	
Street Lights	547.40	
Water Service	1,000.00	
Fountain and Park	51.89	
Highways and Bridges	1,778.60	
Opening Roads in Winter	960.46	
Supt. of Schools	158.31	
Fire Warden	25.00	
Fire Department	100.00	
Interest on loans	262.20	
Town's Indebtedness	1,000.00	
Library	100.00	
State Tax	3,050.63	
County Tax	531.64	
	<hr/>	\$17,917.56

For amount received from High school
 Tuition see report of School Committee.

LUCIUS M. PERKINS,
 JAMES H. LITTLEFIELD,
 ALBERT E. CARPENTER.

Selectmen of Alfred.

I have examined the above accounts of the
 Selectmen, and find them correct.

HARRY G. LITTLEFIELD, Auditor.

Alfred, Me., March 1st, 1919.

Treasurer's Report

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Balance from 1917	\$1,121.61
Rec'd from Sanford Nat'l Bank on notes	2,500.00
Rec'd from State School and Mill Fund	735.11
Common School Fund	830.74
R. R. and Telephone tax	71.85
Free High School	500.00
Refund of Dog licenses	9.75
State Highway Department	310.06
Reimbursements of State Pen- sions	300.19
Damages to domestic animals	90.00
Rec'd Norris Brackett, Dog tax 1918	67.00
Rec'd John H. Stevens, on 1918 taxes	14,938.95
Rec'd Town of Shapleigh, acct. Charles Sprague	81.43
Rec'd High School Tuition	675.34
Rec'd Helen Garland, acct. of electric lights at school house	12.90
Rec'd G. W. Clark, Auction license	2.00
Rec'd. Timothy Yeaton, for horse-rake	5.00
Rec'd G. W. Clark, for school house	30.00
Rec'd James H. Littlefield, on 1916 taxes	21.10
Rec'd Alfred Grange, for rent of Town Hall	50.00
	<hr/> \$22,353.03

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Paid by Order Selectmen	\$14,908.32	
Paid Acct. of Old Cemetery	49.25	
Paid State Dog License, 1918	67.00	
Paid State Tax	3,050.63	
Paid County Tax	531.64	
Paid Sanford Nat'l Bank on		
Notes	2,500.00	
Paid State Pensions	126.00	
Balance	1,120.19	
		<hr/> \$22,353.03

RESOURCES

Balance Library Fund	\$2,553.20	
Balance in Treasury	1,120.19	
Town Farm (100 acres)	4,000.00	
Due from Collector, 1916	13.51	
Due from Wm. Foltz, rent of		
Town Farm	60.00	
		<hr/> \$7,746.90

LIABILITIES

Library Fund	\$2,553.20	
Old Cemetery Fund	1,060.00	
Unexpended interest on Old Cemetery Fund	37.81	
4 Notes Sanford Nat'l. Bank	1,975.00	
Balance favor Town	2,120.89	
		<hr/> \$7,746.90

Outstanding Notes at Sanford Nat'l. Bank

Note due Mar. 14, 1919	\$500.00
Note due May 17, 1919	500.00

A. Guy Littlefield, (A. E. F.)
Bertram C. Bracy, (A. E. F.)
Everett B. Rankin, (A. E. F.)
Ralph E. Hayes, (A. E. F.)
Dane Tebbets, (A. E. F.)
Freeman B. Trafton, (A. E. F.)
Roland Whicher, (A. E. F.)
Wilbur Eumons, (A. E. F.)
Raymond Sherburne, (A. E. F.)
Arthur D. Ridley, (A. E. F.)
Edward Maxwell
Clarence Kimball
Clarence E. Thyng
Harold A. Deshon
Charles W. Prescott
Norris F. Brackett
Carrol Grover
Harry L. Drew
Walter Sherburne

PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Directors' Report

To the Legal Voters of Alfred:

Notwithstanding the scourge of the influenza and other diseases, at home, and the ravages of the world war in this as well as other lands, the citizens of Alfred have maintained their interest and pride in the beautiful Memorial Library building and its valuable contents. We think the elegant surroundings of the reading room, as well as the gentle but kindly oversight of the librarian, have had a noticeable influence over the behavior of many of the younger portion of those who have constantly consulted the magazines and papers on the reading table. As has been stated in the Librarian's report, more shelf-room is very much needed, but we hope that the work can be done without marring the original designs of the alcoves.

We recommend the appropriation by the town of at least \$100.00 for the benefit of the Library.

Alfred, January 28, 1919.

SAMUEL M. CAME,
HERBERT B. FERNALD,
EDWIN P. FERGUSON,
ELMER H. BRACKETT,
LUCIUS M. PERKINS,
HENRY G. GREEN.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors, Parsons Memorial Library:

Gentlemen: It is with pleasure that I present the following as the fifteenth annual report of Parsons Memorial Library for the year ending March 1, 1919:

That the library has come to fill an important place in the life of the community is becoming more apparent as the years go by. The use of the reference books by the young people steadily increases and although there is no record made of those using the reading room, it is generally well filled in the evening with readers and most of the magazines and papers are thoroughly read.

During the epidemic of influenza in the fall and early winter the library was closed for two weeks and the attendance was somewhat less for a time after it was reopened, so the number of books loaned during the year is not quite as large as last year.

March 1, 1918 the number of books in the library was 7,715.

Number purchased, 321.

Number received from State, 20.

Number of cards outstanding, March 1, 1919, 343.

Number of books loaned during year, 6,899.

Number of books in the library, March 1, 1919, 8,056.

Beside the books which have been loaned directly from the library, we have sent 142 to North Alfred and they have been much appreciated by the families who could not get them any other way.

The thing most needed at present is more shelf room. The cases downstairs are more than full and new books are constantly being added, so the shelves present a very untidy appearance, and it is inconvenient to locate a book. We hope the matter will be attended to in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. EMERSON, Librarian.

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Superintendent of Schools
OF THE TOWN OF ALFRED MAINE
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 8, 1919

HERMAN J. SAYWARD, Chairman,
ELWIN K. JORDAN,
THOMAS G. HALL,
Superintending School Committee.

FLORENT WHITMORE,
Superintendent of Schools.

To the Union District Committee of Union District Number Six:

It gives me pleasure to present my first report as Superintendent of Schools.

After a number of years of consideration by different legislatures, the legislature of 1917 passed the law forming all the towns in the state into unions for the employments of Superintendents of Schools.

Under this law, to the original union of Limerick and Waterboro have been added Alfred and Lyman making a four town district of twenty-five schools.

The following table showing the valuation, town appropriation for common schools, rate of municipal taxation, rate of taxation for the support of common schools will be of interest to all our citizens:

Town	Valuation	C. S. Appropriation	Municipal rate	C. S. Tax Rate
Alfred	\$548,152	\$2,350.00	.026	.0042
Limerick	538,943	800.00	.02	.0015
Lyman	422,385	1,600.00	.026	.0038
Waterboro	551,680	1,200.00	.025	.0022

The municipal tax rate for the state for 1918 was .0266. The common school tax rate for the state was .0032 for 1918. Two of our towns made increases at the March meeting of 1918 to meet the additional expenses of the year. Alfred increased her appropriation from \$1,600 to \$2,350 and Lyman from \$1,200 to \$1,600. The need of more money to support the schools of Limerick and Waterboro, I have presented to the citizens of these towns in their respective reports.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Our schools during the spring term and the month of September, were well attended and the work on the whole very satisfactory. The influenza interrupted the work of the fall term and it will be necessary to continue some of our schools until the last of June to complete a full school year. The attendance in three of our towns for the winter term has been excellent and the present indications are that our work at the end of the year will be in far better condition than at one time thought possible.

Our several Boards of Health have carefully and persistently performed their duties and the several Committees have done all in their power to guard the children and the general public against the ravages of the worst epidemic that has invaded our public schools for many years.

TEACHERS

It is a well known fact to all interested in our public schools that never have teachers been so difficult to secure as in the year just past. The war swept our young men from the High school work into the service of our country, and many female teachers dropped out of the work to take up war work or because of the lure of better wage in factory or office.

Our district has felt the teachers' shortage less than many. Of the twenty-eight teaching positions, nineteen are filled by resident and nine by non-resident teachers.

The wages of teachers have been advanced in many Maine towns from 25 per cent. to 40 per cent. this year. The average wages of the state is \$12.04, of York County \$12.68.

In order that our citizens may know the wage scale of the towns of this district, as compared with two districts adjoining this one, I submit this table of average weekly wages paid the teachers of our elementary schools:

Union District No. 4			Union District No. 6			Union District No. 8		
Acton	.....	\$11.50	Alfred	.....	\$13.17	Buxton	.....	\$12.61
Lebanon	.....	12.00	Limerick	.....	10.46	Hollis	.....	11.88
Newfield	.....	12.80	Lyman	.....	11.00	Standish	.....	13.31
Shapleigh	.....	10.00	Waterboro	.....	12.14			

In the above lists it will be found that Alfred ranks second, Waterboro, fifth; Lyman, ninth, and Limerick, tenth.

The teachers and pupils of this Union District have given freely to help the different lines of war activities, and the lessons of patriotism, helpfulness and thrift taught will have a far reaching influence on the lives of all who have taken part in the great "Winning of War" program.

As a Union Committee you have an opportunity to consider what can be done to secure mutual advantages for your towns in matters like the maintenance of high schools, the employment of special teachers, the employment of a district physician or nurse and the best way of following out the offers and suggestions of our very able State Educational Department.

Upon your interest, influence and good judgment much of the success and efficiency of our school system must depend.

It is your great privilege to lead the educational way at a time in the world's history, when America is expected to exemplify the finest ideals of a well educated Democracy.

To the School Committee of Alfred:

Gentlemen:—I desire at this time to submit a report of the condition and needs of the Alfred Schools.

In taking up the school work of your town, your superintendent has tried to retain all the good things of the system and to supplement and improve in all ways known to him the methods and devices that promote school efficiency.

In the village schools for the fall term the discipline and general "morale" was far too low to satisfy those in position to know the true conditions.

For the past ten weeks, a marked improvement has taken place and we have reason to believe that the handicap of closing six weeks on account of the influenza will be overcome before the year closes. On the whole, I feel that our schools are doing a good grade of work, but a few years under our present corps of teachers will bring about a much stronger scholarship than at present.

The parents and taxpayers have been very kind and considerate of a man in a new position. Under the different items, I have stated as clearly as possible the needs of our schools.

Thanking each member of the Committee for uniform helpfulness, courtesy and support, I invite your careful attention to this report.

HIGH SCHOOL

This year has been one unusually difficult in the maintenance of a high standard of work in all of our small high schools.

The teacher shortage has been more severely felt in small secondary schools than any other line of educational work because nearly all of the male teachers were reached by the first selective draft. In the spring term, Principal F. E. Bacon was called into the service before school closed. A class of nine pupils received their diplomas at the close of the year.

In September we opened school with two female teachers. At the close of the first month the assistant, Miss Ballard resigned and Mrs. Alice M. S. June was elected in November. At the close of the fall term a change in principals was made and H. Paul Larabee was chosen principal.

Both selections have proven satisfactory to the pupils and a steady improvement in interest, industry and in general "morale" has been observed by the school officials. At this important period of character formation, a corps of wise, strong teachers are vitally necessary to secure the growth that means true manhood and womanhood in the future.

At the present time we have thirteen resident and twenty-three non-resident pupils. The number of pupils in the ninth grades of Alfred and Waterboro indicate a class of between

twenty-five and thirty entering the Freshman class next September.

Our Public Library is of great value to our pupils, and is well patronized. The Librarian has rendered all the aid in her power in promoting special research work and to lead our pupils to read "worth while" literature.

For information regarding the needs of the school, I wish to refer both Committee and citizens to the very able report of our Principal, Mr. Larrabee.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

In our village schools, grades five to nine were in good condition at the opening of the year, and are doing excellent work in all subjects, with special interest in history and penmanship.

The second, third and fourth grades were deficient in reading power. The basal system of reading being almost discarded as far as its essential features were concerned, and judging from the results a very hap-hazard plan of teaching had been pursued for a long time.

Our present teachers are working very successfully and the children are steadily gaining in power.

It is with pleasure that I can report the three elementary village schools as being well taught by competent, well trained teachers, who are securing satisfactory results.

Our three rural schools have received little or no supervision for a number of years and can be greatly improved by careful work on the part of superintendent and teachers.

TEACHERS

A good teacher must have scholarship, culture, judgment and an interest in her children. One cannot teach what she does not know. One cannot teach well what she knows imperfectly. She must know much more than school subjects. Her purpose is to lead the children into an efficient life hence she must have that degree of knowledge of life that will enable her to lead the way. A genuine interest in the lives of her children is quite as essential as scholarship. The spirit of helpfulness is one of the characteristics of a superior teacher.

For the past two years our school system has suffered because of the many changes in our teaching corps. This year our committee has tried to meet present day conditions by an increase of salary and a year of thirty-six weeks. In September, I found five new teachers in the eight teaching positions, and since that time we have had three changes for various reasons.

Our community desires to secure and retain the services of competent, helpful, and interested teachers and I feel certain that every member of our Committee will work with the Superintendent to secure this end.

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

The buying, distribution and regulations for the preservation of text books is one that tests the judgment of school superintendents as keenly as any problem of school administration.

I regret that I find on our book shelves many evidences of very indiscriminate buying, as there are many partial sets of books and a lack of correlation in the books supplied, both elementary and secondary schools.

Our schools need text books of a clear, concise, intelligent construction. The teaching exercises should be helpful to both teacher and pupil. The drill work should be of a simple type, enough being required to secure a good understanding of the fundamental processes and a good use of English.

Our text are in a fair condition, but we need more English for the Junior and Senior classes, a large dictionary, and more physical apparatus.

In common with all kinds of supplies, books have advanced and we will need the usual appropriation of \$450 to supply our needs.

REPAIRS

The repairs of the year have been few and of a general nature. New chairs have been purchased for the village schools, and a fine flag-pole has been donated by Mr. E. K. Jordan.

Beside the general repair items, we plan to repair the out-buildings in the Gile district, to build a new fence around the village school lot, and to install steam pipes in the Primary school rooms.

SCHOOL RELATIONS

Your Superintendent finds many evidences of a deep and watchful interest on the part of parents and townspeople in the public schools.

I trust that our people will visit our schools and know the teachers and our boys and girls, bearing in mind that the aid of community approval and sympathy helps to make an efficient school system.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENT WHITMORE.

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

I hereby submit my first annual report as Principal of the Alfred High School, Alfred, Maine:

The past year has indeed been an epochal one in the world's history. Many things have happened, which few people believed possible, and many more things which were thought possible are coming to pass much sooner than anybody imagined. Most people have learned not to be surprised at anything, not to complain at anything, and not to rejoice too much at anything. We know now that in the fruits of victory there are the seeds of defeat, and that genuine conquests over evil are much more difficult than they look.

Society is always in process of development; the character of the secondary-school population undergoes modification. Sec-

secondary-education is determined by the need of the society to be served, and the character of the individuals to be educated. The secondary-school today is up against a new proposition. A proposition which demands the utmost from the vitality of a community. This proposition is the education of the youth for his or her part in the reconstruction of the world, now that the great conflict has come to an end. The opportunity which is open, and which from year to year is going to become more evident, is one which is unparalleled in the world's history. It is the duty of the secondary-schools to prepare their students for this calling. In the future the citizen must, to a greater extent and in a more direct way, cope with problems of Community Life, State and National Governments, and International relationships. As a worker, he must adjust himself to a more complete economic order. The problems arising from these dominant phases of life are closely inter-related and call for a degree of intelligence and efficiency on the part of every citizen that can be secured to a large extent through our secondary-schools if our scope of education is broadened, and made to meet the demand of a practical education.

In general, I should say, to the extent to which the above objectives are adopted as the controlling arms of education, to that extent will it be recognized that an extended education for every boy and girl is essential to the welfare, and even to the existence of democratic society. The significance of these objectives is becoming more and more apparent under modern conditions in our democracy. The conditions grow out of increased knowledge of science with its rapidly extending applications to all the affairs of life, keener competition with its attendant dangers, closer contacts of peoples of varied racial and religious types, and greater assertiveness of all men and women in the control of their own destinies.

Secondary education, however, like any other established agency of society, is conservative and tends to resist modification. Failure to make adjustments when the need arises leads to the necessity for extensive reorganization at irregular intervals. The evidence is strong that such a comprehensive reorganization of Alfred High School is imperative at the present time. Are we fulfilling these modern demands on our High School, and if not, what must be done to meet the present needs?

(1) Is the pupil giving sufficient time to his education? The number of years that pupils continue in school beyond the compulsory school age depends in large measure upon the degree to which they and their parents realize that school work is worth while for them and that they are succeeding in it. Probably in most cases doubt regarding the value of the work offered causes more pupils to leave school than economic necessity. Consequently it is the intention of the teacher, that the work of each pupil be so presented as to convince him and his parents of its real value.

(2) Is our equipment sufficient? As regards books, paper, and other school supplies, all have been provided in sufficient quantity. As regards laboratory equipment, the facilities on hand for conducting experiments in Physics, are practically useless. There

is a pressing need for Physical apparatus, without which the course in Physics loses fully fifty per cent. of its value. There is also no opportunity for experiment work in Biology.

(3) Does the building meet the needs of the school? As the school increases from year to year, it indeed becomes evident that an additional room is necessary. The completing of the present annex by making it a two-story structure, would fulfill this present need; moreover, such a step will become a necessity in a very short time.

The building is in good repair with two exceptions: the roof leaks badly in places (but could be repaired at a small expenditure), and the second is, the rooms, both downstairs and upstairs, need to be re-tinted.

(4) Is the board of instruction sufficient? The success and efficiency of a school depend entirely on the success and efficiency of the teaching force. The curriculum as outlined for Alfred High school demands three teachers. It is impossible for two teachers to do justice to their subjects, if required to give eight courses five periods a week. We cannot cut down our curriculum; to do that we defeat our purpose in presenting to the students, in full measure, a course of study necessary to prepare them for their future opportunity. To keep this curriculum within the present bonds of room and administration we are creating the same evil. The only ultimatum is to build an additional room, and procure a third teacher.

The school year as a whole promises to be most successful. The Literary Club, which has been active for a number of years, continues to present its monthly programs. There has been considerable interest displayed in athletics in the form of basketball on the part of both boys and girls.

In conclusion, I wish to express to the Superintendent, to the School Committee, and to the people of the town of Alfred, my sincere appreciation for the courteous co-operation which I have received during the brief period which I have been Principal of Alfred High School.

Respectfully submitted,

H. P. LARRABEE.

February 17, 1919.

ESTIMATES for 1919

Free High School	\$600.00
High School Janitor and Fuel	400.00
Common Schools	2,400.00
Books and Supplies	450.00
Repairs	250.00
Superintendent of Schools	200.00

COMMON SCHOOLS

Town Appropriation	\$2,350.00
School and Mill Tax	735.11
Common School Fund	830.74

R. R. and Tel. Tax	71.85
Tuition	14.34

\$4,002.04

Expenditures

Paid teachers	\$2,807.00
Paid conveyance	615.00
Paid Janitors	440.25
Paid fuel	447.38

4,309.63

Overdraft	\$307.59
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Expenditures (Itemized)**Teaching**

Bessie Lamb	\$255.00
Helen Garland	426.00
Jennie Richards	285.00
Frank P. Knight	381.00
Etta D. Goodwin	306.00
Letitia Mitchell	190.00
Dorothy Taylor	28.00
Hattie E. Mathews	288.00
Marion W. Gray	288.00
Agnes A. Gough	232.00
Grace Lucier	128.00

\$2,807.00

Conveyance

C. W. Hussey	\$429.00
Nathaniel Carll	59.50
Alphonso Kimball	17.50
Maynard Cluff	91.00
Florence Miller	18.00

\$615.00

Janitors

A. F. Woodbury	\$405.00
Frank P. Knights	9.25
S. E. Gowen	5.00
W. H. Bean	14.50
Agnes A. Gough	6.50

\$440.25

Fuel

Frank P. Knights	\$21.75
T. G. Hall	36.13
L. D. Ridley	300.00
York County Power Co.	8.00
Will Downs	4.00
B. C. Jordan & Co.	76.25
S. E. Gowen	1.25

\$447.38

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT**Resources**

Received from the State	\$500.00	
By Town Appropriation	600.00	
Received from parents (tuition)	224.00	
Received from Waterboro	291.00	
Received from Lyman	134.00	
Received from Otisfield	12.00	
Balance from 1918	144.66	
		<u>\$1,905.66</u>

Expenditures**High School Teachers**

T. E. Bacon	\$376.01	
Tounette Atkinson	249.84	
Madeline Shibbes	100.00	
Flora E. Baldwin	333.35	
Margaret Ballard	111.10	
Carrie Gile	26.65	
Alice M. S. June	257.75	
H. Paul Larrabee	166.68	
		<u>\$1,621.38</u>
Balance on hand	284.28	
		<u>\$1,905.66</u>

HIGH SCHOOL**Janitor and Fuel Account**

Town Appropriation	\$400.00	
Expended	405.00	
		<u>5.00</u>

Expenditures

L. D. Ridley	\$275.00	
A. F. Woodbury	130.00	
		<u>\$405.00</u>

Text Books and Supplies

Town Appropriation	\$450.00	
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Expenditures

MacMillan Co.	\$19.63	
D. C. Heath & Co.	81.23	
E. E. Babb & Co.	94.36	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	15.48	
Ginn & Co.	57.09	
American Book Co.	3.96	
B. H. Sanborn & Co.	9.25	
Kenney, Wolkins Bros.	46.45	
Milton Bradley & Co.	12.00	
R. P. Mitchell	40.00	
C. E. Merrill & Co.	5.24	
Averill Press	13.75	

D. Appleton & Co.	1.11	
J. L. Hammett & Co.	7.50	
Sanford School Department	6.97	
Orvalo Koslen	7.50	
H. C. Fernald	9.65	
A. H. Nutting	6.25	
A. N. Palmer & Co.	6.40	
E. G. Knights	1.69	
S. E. Gowen	2.17	
Florent Whitmore	5.97	
Frank Clark	4.00	
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		461.04
Overdraft		<hr/>
		\$11.04

REPAIRS**Resources**

By Town Appropriation\$150.00

Expenditures

T. E. Bacon	\$4.51	
York County Power Co.	3.00	
John Bennett	3.75	
H. J. Sayward	19.48	
Hiram Willard	31.21	
E. E. Babb & Co.	5.35	
Edward Murphy	3.50	
H. A. Wales & Co.	5.50	
T. G. Hall	3.50	
S. B. Emery & Co.	22.50	
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		\$102.30
Balance on hand		<hr/>
		\$47.70

Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS

DEATHS

1918	Name of person	Disease	Y's.	M's.	D's.
Feb. 3	Clara E. Emery	Lobar Pneumonia	61	4	5
Feb. 11	Sarah M. Kendall	Lobar Pneumonia	92	9	21
Mar. 7	Jotham A. Trafton	Chronic Bronchitis	83	3	24
Mar. 14	Albert J. Hengartner	Arrhasis of liver	30	1	11
Mar. 28	Esther A. Trafton	Pneumonia	71	7	9
May 22	Mary A. Whitten	Diabetes Mellatus	78	5	28
June 7	Walter L. Ridley	Valvular Dis. of Heart	2	4	5
June 15	Helen S. Brooks	Milral Disease	66	1	25
July 2	Alpine Grant	Cancer of Bowels	58	6	25
Sept. 22	Eben Cluff	Diabetes	82	9	13
Oct. 31	Orleane M. Burbank	Acute Indigestion	0	0	27
Nov. 7	Belle C. Morrill	Tuberculosis both lungs	38	8	23
Dec. 1	David W. Jordan	Broncho Pneumonia	38	7	16
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Nov. 14	George A. Ferguson	Chronic Nephritis	71	10	7
	Harry A. Farnham	Pneumonia	23	7	23

DIED AWAY, BURIED HERE

1918	Name of person	Disease	Y's.	M's.	D's.
Feb. 6	Theodore A. Goodwin	Apoplexy	77	8	24
June 12	Ruth A. Trafton	Pneumonia	65	0	12
Sept. 9	Mary F. Hazelton	Broncho Pneum'nia	32	7	7
Sept. 10	Fannie M. Robertson	Uterine Fibroid	45	7	3
Oct. 21	Augusta Goodrich	Cancer	72	9	7
Nov. 4	Chetser Coffin Allen	Pulm'ry Tuber'sis	21	0	17
Nov. 9	Charles H. Ricker	Surcouce of left side Face	58	9	23
Nov. 11	Lydia Colborn Jones	Suicide, hanging	64	2	6

MARRIAGES

Everett E. Chadbourne	Feb. 2,	1918
Vina F. Emmons	Feb. 2,	1918
At Alfred		
Freeman B. Trafton	March 27,	1918
Florence M. Weeks	March 27,	1918
At Alfred		
James Johnstone	March 30,	1918
Margaret A. Salisbury	March 30,	1918
At Alfred		

Harold Weld Yeaton	June 2,	1918
Mildred Simmons	June 2,	1918
At Alfred		
Walter Earle Horne	July 12,	1918
Adeline Belle Merrill	July 12,	1918
At Alfred		
Percie Frank Morrill	September 2,	1918
Gertrude Frances Leach	September 2,	1918
At Alfred		
Charles J. Horne	November 19,	1918
Flora Bernier	November 19,	1918
At Sanford, Me.		

BIRTHS

1918

March 22, a son,	Ellsworth Harry;	Harry E. Chadbourne and Grace Lord
April 17, a son,	Everett Earle,	Verner W. Kimball and Bertha Sanborn
May 20, a son,		Percy Smith and Ida Woodman
July 1, a daughter,	Evelyn May,	Alva Warren and Effie E. Scott
July 22, a daughter,	Margaret Pauline,	Hosea Wallingford and Maude Maxwell
July 28, a son,		Forrest H. Russell and Hazel M. Stone
Oct. 23, a son		Freeman B. Trafton and Florence M. Weeks
Oct. 26, a daughter		John W. Yates and Regina M. Myers
Oct. 20, a son,	Irving F. Thompson, Jr.,	Irving F. Thompson and Lily Yates
Sept. 20, a son,	Donald Victor Yates,	to Nellie Yates
Nov. 26, a son,	Henry Alfred, Jr.,	Henry A. Moulton and Gertrude G. Soule
Dec. 6, a daughter, to		Harold W. Yeaton and Mildred S. Simmons
Dec. 15, a daughter to		Grover C. Thyng and Virgie Newcomb
Dec. 16, a daughter,	Myrtle Edna, to	George Swinerton and Daisy Gilpatric

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Jan. 11, a son,	Ralph Whitehouse, to	Ernest C. Allen and Agnes Whitehouse
Jan. 17, a son,	Henry Edward, to	Henry E. Pierce and Mabel J. Maxwell